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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: REFUGEE EVACUATION

REF: BONN 5141

1. CONGEN NHA TRANG INFORMS THAT THEY CAN USE MS RHEINLAND ON APRIL 1 IN NHA TRANG HARBOR TO ON LOAD AN ESTIMATED 1000 PASSENGERS FOR SHIPMENT TO SAIGON. WHEN ON STATION COMPLETE COORDINATION NECESSARY AT NHA TRANG LEVEL FOR LOW PROFILE MOVE. WHEN WITHIN MSCOV RADIO RANGE MS RHEINLAND WILL BE GIVEN INSTRUCTIONS BY EMBASSY SAIGON IN COORDINATION WITH CONGEN NHA TRANG.

2. WE NEED TO KNOW SHIP'S RADIO FREQUENCIES.

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3. IN ANSWER TO QUESTIONS FROM REF CABLE: (A) SINCE DESTINATION

OF PASSENGERS IS SAIGON AND AS SHIP'S SPEED IS UNKNOWN, DURATION OF ACTION CANNOT BE ASCERTAINED FROM HERE. IT WILL TAKE APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS TO LOAD. TRIP TO VUNG TAU IS 210 NAUTICAL MILES. TIME UP RIVER TO SAIGON IS PREDICATED TO TIDES AND SHIP'S DRAFT. PILOT WILL BE ARRANGED BY MSC. (B) ACTION AT NHA TRANG WILL BE DIRECTED BY CONGEN II, MR. CARR, ADMINISTRATIVE OFF. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS WILL BE BY KWM2A (SSB) FREQ. 6994 DAYTIME, 3860 NIGHT, CALL SIGN NOTEBOOK. (C) SECURITY NOT A PROBLEM. (D) MEDICAL CARE WILL BE NO PROBLEM. MEDICS CAN BE PROVIDED AT NHA TRANG IF NEEDED. (E) CONGEN II CAN PROVIDE FOOD AND WATER FOR THIS VOYAGE.

4. WE UNDERSTAND THAT BOTH MS RHEINLAND AND VOGTLAND HAVE FREQUENCIES OF MSCOV. WHEN MSCOV HAS RADIO CONTACT WITH MS RHEINLAND THE ABOVE MESSAGE WILL BE REPEATED. WHEN IN CONTACT WITH MS VOGTLAND FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE PROVIDED.

5. WE ARE COORDINATING OUR ACTIONS WITH STOECKER, FRG EMBASSY SAIGON.
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